

prefers our raising the plants
& sending them, when safe to know
he will gladly supply him with
as many as he desires.

Pray excuse my writing more
at present - for even this is
"contrary to Doctor's orders"!

Very sincerely thy frd.

J. B. Backhouse

York 10/2 mo. '43

My dear Friend

Illness has prevented
my earlier acknowledging rec^d
of thy three letters last sent.
I think my last letter menti-
oned my having remitted £25
direct to D^r. Kellogg. I now
only wait for a "statement"
of thy own expenses on my
account to remit another
Bill of Exch^g to liquidate
them. Many thanks for the
informⁿ about *Calochortus Gu-
nisonii*, *Hesperⁿ crystallinum* &c.
Our *Romanzoffias* & most of
the *Prinula suppretescens* are
alive & doing well. The Bulbs

we sold by Auction in London did pretty well though there are only a limited number of purchasers all bulbs are well known. The *L. Washingtoniana* ~~var~~ made 3/- to 4/- on an average, & some of the *Calochortus* 1/6 to 2/-. The price is good enough, if only a larger number could be quilted: but time alone will do this.

I am interested in John Muir's letter, which I return with thanks. The *Pellaea mucronata* came in splendid order & are beginning to grow famously. Thanks also for the informⁿ respecting *Abies Williamsoni* which is quite clear & satisfactory.

It will be exceedingly interesting

if a chain of communication can be opened with the Unalaska region. Dr. Parry sent seed of *Erictrichium arcticoides* if to be identical with what he calls "*E. glomeratum*". But he sent no ~~*E. glomeratum*~~ plants.

I shall have pleasure in sending our Orchid Catalogue to Mr. Sargent also our new one of Herbaceous plants to his address when we receive them from the printers. — probably in 2 or 3 weeks.

The last box containing ^{seeds} ~~plants~~ of *Oreodaphne Californica* & *Quercus chrysolepis* is safely to hand, for which please accept our best thanks. I will take good care to supply Dr. Hooker abundantly. But I believe he